

H. Res. 444: Mrs. THURMAN and Mr. ADAM SMITH of Washington.

¶50.47 PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 1 of rule XXII, petitions and papers were laid on the clerk's desk and referred as follows:

65. The SPEAKER presented a petition of the Legislature of Rockland County, New York, relative to Resolution No. 148 of 1998 petitioning the Congress of the United States to oppose the proposed Medicare Beneficiary Freedom to Contract Act; jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Commerce.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3, 1998 (51)

¶51.1 DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. PEASE, who laid before the House the following communication:

WASHINGTON, DC,
June 3, 1998.

I hereby designate the Honorable EDWARD A. PEASE to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

¶51.2 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. PEASE, announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of May 22, 1998.

Mr. TIAHRT, pursuant to clause 1, rule I, objected to the Chair's approval of the Journal.

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House agree to the Chair's approval of said Journal?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. PEASE, announced that the yeas had it.

Mr. TIAHRT objected to the vote on the ground that a quorum was not present and not voting.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. PEASE, pursuant to clause 5, rule I, announced that the vote would be postponed until later today.

The point of no quorum was considered as withdrawn.

¶51.3 COMMUNICATIONS

Executive and other communications, pursuant to clause 2, rule XXIV, were referred as follows:

9295. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Tuberculosis in Cattle and Bison; State Designation; Hawaii [97-063-2] received June 1, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

9296. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Commuted Traveltime Periods: Overtime Services Relating to Imports and Exports [98-051-1] received May 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

9297. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—1998 Amendment to Cotton Board Rules and Regulations Adjusting Supplemental Assessment on Imports [CN-98-002]

received May 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

9298. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Grapes Grown in a Designated Area of Southeastern California and Imported Table Grapes; Revision in Minimum Grade, Container, and Pack Requirements [Docket No. FV98-925-3 IFR] received May 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

9299. A letter from the Administrator, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—General Regulations and Standards for Certain Agricultural Commodities (RIN: 0580-AA54) received May 26, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

9300. A letter from the Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Melons Grown in South Texas; Decreased Assessment Rate [Docket No. FV98-979-1 FIR] received May 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

9301. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Hazelnuts Grown in Oregon and Washington; Establishment of Interim and Final Free and Restricted Percentages for the 1997-98 Marketing Year [Docket No. FV98-982-1 FIR] received May 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

9302. A letter from the Manager, Federal Crop Insurance Corporation, Risk Management Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—General Crop Insurance Regulations, Stonefruit Endorsement; and Common Crop Insurance Regulations, Stonefruit Crop Insurance Provisions (7 CFR Parts 401 and 457) received June 1, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

9303. A letter from the the Director, the Office of Management and Budget, transmitting the cumulative report on rescissions and deferrals of budget authority as of May 1, 1998, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 685(e); (H. Doc. No. 105-257); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

9304. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Defense, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation authorizing the Secretary of Defense to fund international inspector expenses from the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) related to verification activities at Department of Defense facilities; to the Committee on National Security.

9305. A letter from the Director, Washington Headquarters Services, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule—Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS); Waiver of Collection of Payments Due From Certain Persons Unaware of Loss of CHAMPUS Eligibility [DoD 6010.8-R] (RIN: 0720-AA43) received May 22, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on National Security.

9306. A letter from the Secretary, Panama Canal Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Tolls for Use of Canal; Rules for Measurement of Vessels (RIN: 3207-AA45) received May 8, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on National Security.

9307. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule—Single Family Mortgage Insurance; Electronic Underwriting [FR-4311-I-01] (RIN:

2502-AH15) received May 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

9308. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Housing Finance Board, transmitting the Board's annual report for the 1997 calendar year, pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1422b; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

9309. A letter from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting a report to Congress on H.R. 3579, the Supplemental Appropriations Act, FY 1998, pursuant to Public Law 99-177; to the Committee on the Budget.

9310. A letter from the Secretary of Education, transmitting Final Regulations—Preschool Grants for Children with Disabilities, pursuant to 20 U.S.C. 1232(f); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

9311. A letter from the Acting Assistant General Counsel, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's final rule—Preschool Grants for Children with Disabilities (RIN: 1820-AB47) received May 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

9312. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs and Public Liaison, Department of Treasury, transmitting the report, "The Financial Viability of the Government-Guaranteed Student Loan Program"; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

9313. A letter from the Deputy Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's final rule—PBGC Recoupment and Reimbursement of Benefit Overpayments and Underpayments (RIN: 1212-AA87) received May 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

9314. A letter from the Administrator, Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy, transmitting Annual uranium purchase reports, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 2296b-5; to the Committee on Commerce.

9315. A letter from the Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Requirements for Child-Resistant Packaging; Household Products with More Than 50 mg of Elemental Fluoride and More Than 0.5 Percent Elemental Fluoride; and modification of Exemption for Oral Prescription Drugs with Sodium Fluoride [16 CFR Part 1700] received June 1, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9316. A letter from the Under Secretary for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting a report to Congress on Reserve component equipment and military construction requirements not included in a fiscal year's budget request; to the Committee on Commerce.

9317. A letter from the Director, Office of Rulemaking Coordination, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's final rule—Acquisition Regulation: Limitation on Allowability of Compensation for Certain Contractor Personnel (RIN: 1991-AB43) received May 8, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9318. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Sinorhizobium meliloti strain RMBPC-2; Significant New Use Rule [OPPTS-50630A; FRL-5789-5] (RIN: 2070-AB27) received June 1, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9319. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; District of Columbia; Enhanced Motor Vehicle Inspection and Maintenance

Program [DC-036-2011; FRL-6103-3] received May 22, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9320. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Identification of Ozone Areas Attaining the 1-Hour Standard and to Which the 1-Hour Standard is No Longer Applicable [FRL-6105-6] received May 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9321. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Lead; Requirements for Hazard Education Before Renovation of Target Housing [OPPTS-62131; FRL-5751-7] (RIN: 2070-AC65) received May 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9322. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of State Plans for Designated Facilities and Pollutants; Wyoming; Control of Landfill Gas Emissions from Existing Municipal Solid Waste Landfills [WY-001-0001a; FRL-6104-7] received May 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9323. A letter from the AMD—Performance Evaluation and Records Management, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Perry, Florida) [Docket No. 97-205 RM-9161] received May 5, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9324. A letter from the AMD—Performance Evaluation and Records Management, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Telephone Number Portability [CC Docket No. 95-116 RM 8535] received May 21, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9325. A letter from the AMD—Performance Evaluation and Records Management, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Shelley and Island Park, Idaho) [MM Docket No. 97-194 RM-9128] received May 21, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9326. A letter from the AMD—Performance Evaluation and Records Management, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (McFarland and Coalinga, California) [MM Docket No. 97-204 RM-9143, RM-9158] received May 21, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9327. A letter from the AMD—Performance Evaluation and Records Management, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Macon, Mississippi) [MM Docket No. 97-188 RM-9137] received May 21, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9328. A letter from the AMD—Performance Evaluation and Records Management, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Bozeman, Montana) [MM Docket No. 98-23 RM-9226] received May 28, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9329. A letter from the AMD—Performance Evaluation and Records Management, Fed-

eral Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Revisions to Part 21 of the Commission's Rules regarding the Multipoint Distribution Service [CC Docket No. 86-179] received May 28, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9330. A letter from the AMD—Performance Evaluation and Records Management, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Brinkley and Colt, Arkansas) [MM Docket No. 98-15 RM-9142] received May 28, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9331. A letter from the AMD—Performance Evaluation and Records Management, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Amendment of Parts 2 and 15 of the Commission's Rules to Deregulate the Equipment Authorization Requirements for Digital Devices [ET Docket No. 95-19] received May 26, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9332. A letter from the AMD—Performance Evaluation and Records Management, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Specular, New York) [MM Docket No. 98-12 RM-9220] received May 26, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9333. A letter from the AMD—Performance Evaluation and Records Management, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Vergennes, Vermont, Willsboro and Malone, New York) [MM Docket No. 97-185 RM-9080 RM-9197] received May 28, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9334. A letter from the AMD—Performance Evaluation and Records Management, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service [CC Docket 96-45] received June 1, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9335. A letter from the AMD—Performance Evaluation and Records Management, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Changes to the Board of Directors of the National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. [CC Docket No. 97-21] Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service [CC Docket No. 96-45] received June 1, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9336. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Office of Policy, Food and Drug Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Direct Food Substances Affirmed as Generally Recognized as Safe; Sheanut Oil [88G-0288] received May 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9337. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Office of Policy, Food and Drug Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Indirect Food Additives; Adjuvants, Production Aids, and Sanitizers [Docket No. 90F-0310] received May 26, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9338. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Office of Policy, Food and Drug Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Package Size Limitation for Sodium Phosphates Oral Solution and Warning and Direction Statements for Oral and Rectal

Sodium Phosphates for Over-the-Counter Laxative Use [Docket No. 78N-036L] (RIN: 0910-AA01) received May 26, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9339. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Office of Policy, Food and Drug Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Indirect Food Additives: Polymers [Docket No. 96F-0489] received June 1, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9340. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Office of Policy, Food and Drug Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Secondary Direct Food Additives Permitted in Food for Human Consumption; Monester of alpha-Hydro-omega-Hydroxy-Poly (Oxyethylene) Poly(Oxypropylene) Poly(Oxyethylene)(15 Mole Minimum) Blocked Copolymer [Docket No. 97F-0283] received June 1, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9341. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Year 2000 Readiness Of Computer Systems At Nuclear Power Plants [NRC Generic Letter No. 98-01] received May 26, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9342. A letter from the Deputy Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Custody of Investment Company Assets Outside the United States [Release Nos. IC-23201; File No. S7-23-95] (RIN: 3235-AE98) received May 22, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9343. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting notification that the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) and the Bosnian Serbs emergency is to continue beyond May 30, 1998, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1622(d); (H. Doc. No. 105-259); to the Committee on International Relations and ordered to be printed.

9344. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a report on developments concerning the national emergency with respect to Burma that was declared in Executive Order 13047 of May 20, 1997, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); (H. Doc. No. 105-260); to the Committee on International Relations and ordered to be printed.

9345. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting notification concerning the Department of the Air Force's Proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to Australia for defense articles and services (Transmittal No. 98-39), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b); to the Committee on International Relations.

9346. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting a copy of Transmittal No. 10-98 which constitutes a Request for Final Authority to Conclude a Framework Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and Phase I Project Arrangement (PA) with the United Kingdom for the Joint Anti-Armor Weapons System Project, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2767(f); to the Committee on International Relations.

9347. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting notification concerning the Department of the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States for defense articles and services (Transmittal No. 98-17), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b); to the Committee on International Relations.

9348. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting a copy of Transmittal No. 12-98 which con-

stitutes a Request for Final Authority to conclude Project Arrangement with Canada concerning Distributed Mission Training technologies, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2767(f); to the Committee on International Relations.

9349. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's report on employment of United States citizens by certain international organizations, pursuant to Public Law 102-138, section 181 (105 Stat. 682); to the Committee on International Relations.

9350. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's 1997 annual report on international terrorism entitled "Antiterrorism Assistance Program," pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2656f; to the Committee on International Relations.

9351. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification that effective May 10, 1998, the danger pay allowance for Cambodia has been eliminated, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 5928; to the Committee on International Relations.

9352. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting determination that Pakistan, a non-nuclear-weapon state, detonated a nuclear explosive device on May 28, 1998, pursuant to section 102(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act; (H. Doc. No. 105-258); to the Committee on International Relations and ordered to be printed.

9353. A letter from the Chief Counsel, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule—Cuban Assets Control Regulations: Family Remittances; Travel Remittances; Carrier Service Providers; Currency Carried by Travelers [31 CFR Part 515] received May 13, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on International Relations.

9354. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a copy of the determination and certification of eight countries that are not cooperating fully with U.S. antiterrorism efforts: Afghanistan, Cuba, Iran, Iraq, Libya, North Korea, Sudan, and Syria, pursuant to AECA section 40A; to the Committee on International Relations.

9355. A letter from the Chief Counsel, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule—Cuban Assets Control Regulations: Fully-Hosted or Fully-Sponsored Travel and Restrictions on Travel Transactions [31 CFR Part 515] received May 13, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on International Relations.

9356. A letter from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting the proposed obligation of FY 1995 funds to implement the Cooperative Threat Reduction Program, pursuant to Public Law 104-106; to the Committee on International Relations.

9357. A letter from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting the semiannual report of the Inspector General for the 6-month period ending March 31, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9358. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting the semiannual report to Congress for the period October 1, 1997 through March 31, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9359. A letter from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting the Semiannual Report of the Department of Labor's Inspector General covering the period October 1, 1997 through March 31, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app.

(Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9360. A letter from the Chief Financial Officer, District of Columbia, transmitting the 1997 Management Letter Report issued by the District's independent auditors, KPMG Peat Marwick, LLP, pursuant to D.C. Code section 47-117(d); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9361. A letter from the Executive Director, Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, transmitting the Committee's final rule—Additions to and Deletions from the Procurement List—received May 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9362. A letter from the Director, Office of Rulemaking Coordination, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's final rule—Acquisition Regulation: Acquisition Streamlining (RIN: 1991-AB35) received May 7, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9363. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Reserve System, transmitting the semiannual report on the activities of the Office of Inspector General ending March 31, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9364. A letter from the Public Printer, Government Printing Office, transmitting the semiannual report on the activities of the Office of Inspector General, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9365. A letter from the Acting Associate Administrator for Legislative Affairs, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting a report on NASA's FY 1999 Performance Plan, pursuant to Public Law 103-62; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9366. A letter from the Senior Deputy Chairman, National Endowment for the Arts, transmitting a Semiannual Report of the Inspector General and the Chairman's Semiannual Report on Final Action for the National Endowment for the Arts for the period of October 1, 1997 to March 31, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 8G(h)(2); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9367. A letter from the Chairman, National Science Board, transmitting the report from the Acting Inspector General covering the activities of his office for the period of October 1, 1997—March 31, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9368. A letter from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting the Office's final rule—Federal Employees Health Benefits Program: Removal of Minimum Salary Requirement (RIN: 3206-A105) received May 22, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9369. A letter from the Inspector General, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the semiannual report on the activities of the Office of Inspector General, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9370. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Election Commission, transmitting the 1997 Annual Report about the activities performed by the Commission, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 438(a)(9); to the Committee on House Oversight.

9371. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior, transmitting a

report entitled "America's Historic Landmarks at Risk: The Secretary of the Interior's Report to the 105th Congress on Threatened National Historic Landmarks," pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 1a-5(a); to the Committee on Resources.

9372. A letter from the Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior, transmitting a report on the Lewiston Orchards, Project Idaho, Safety of Dams Modification Report, pursuant to 43 U.S.C. 509; to the Committee on Resources.

9373. A letter from the Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior, transmitting a report on the necessity to construct modifications to Pueblo Dam, Fryingpan-Arkansas Project, Colorado for safety reasons, pursuant to 43 U.S.C. 509; to the Committee on Resources.

9374. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Vessels Using Hook-and-Line Gear in Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands [Docket No. 971208298-8055-02; I.D. 051598A] received May 22, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

9375. A letter from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Scup Fisheries; Rescission of the 1998 Summer Period Scup Fisheries Closures in Delaware, New Hampshire, Maryland, and Massachusetts [Docket No. 971015246-7293-02; I.D. 051498C] received May 22, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

9376. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator For Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Amendment 10 to the Fishery Management Plan for the Atlantic Surf Clam and Ocean Quahog Fisheries [Docket No. 980212038-8117-02; I.D. 020298A] (RIN: 0648-AF41) received May 22, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

9377. A letter from the Director, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Atlantic Tuna Fisheries; Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Annual Quota Specifications and Effort Controls [Docket No. 980320071-8128-02; I.D. 012198C] (RIN: 0648-AK87) received May 22, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

9378. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Shrimp Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; Bycatch Reduction Device Certification [Docket No. 980505118-8118-01; I.D. 042798C] (RIN: 0648-AL14) received June 1, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

9379. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Halibut and Sablefish Fisheries Quota-Share Loan Program; Final Program Notice and Announcement of Availability of Federal Assistance [Docket No. 980324076-8076-01; I.D. 031798B] (RIN: 0648-ZA38) received May 26, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

9380. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting the thirtieth in a series of reports on refugee resettlement in the United States covering the period October 1, 1995 through September 30, 1996, pursuant to 8 U.S.C. 1523(a); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

9381. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Federal Motor Carrier Regulations; Authority Corrections (RIN: 2125-AE41) received May 21, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9382. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 737-100 and -200 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 96-NM-264-AD; Amendment 39-10531; AD 98-11-04] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received May 21, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9383. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 727 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 96-NM-263-AD; Amendment 39-10530; AD 98-11-03] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received May 21, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9384. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Establishment of Class C Airspace and Revocation of Class D Airspace, Springfield-Branson Regional Airport; MO [Airspace Docket No. 95-AWA-10] (RIN: 2120-AA66) received May 21, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9385. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment to Class E Airspace; Mason City, IA [Airspace Docket No. 98-ACE-31] received May 21, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9386. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment to Class E Airspace; Ainsworth, NE [Airspace Docket No. 98-ACE-16] received May 21, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9387. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment of Class E Airspace; Livingston, MT, and Butte, MT, and Removal of Class E Airspace; Coppertown, MT, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9388. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment to Class E Airspace; Gordon, NE [Airspace Docket No. 98-ACE-9] received May 21, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9389. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment to Class D and Class E Airspace; Fort Leonard Wood, MO [Airspace Docket No. 98-ACE-17] received May 21, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9390. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment to Class E Airspace; Kimball, NE [Airspace Docket No. 98-ACE-10] received May 21, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9391. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; AlliedSignal Inc. Model TFE731-40R-200G Turbofan Engines [Docket No. 98-ANE-30-AD; Amendment 39-10527; AD 98-10-

15] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received May 21, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9392. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier Model CL-600-2B16 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 98-NM-21-AD; Amendment 39-10425; AD 97-25-11R1] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received May 21, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9393. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Pilatus Aircraft Ltd. Models PC-12 and PC-12/45 Airplanes [Docket No. 98-CE-40-AD; Amendment 39-10528; AD 98-11-01] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received May 21, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9394. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Fokker Model F28 Mark 0070 and Mark 0100 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 98-NM-153-AD; Amendment 39-10529; AD 98-11-02] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received May 21, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9395. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No. 29225; Amdt. No. 1868] (RIN: 2120-AA65) received May 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9396. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No. 29227; Amdt. No. 1870] (RIN: 2120-AA65) received May 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9397. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Revocation of Class D Airspace, Lubbock Reese AFB, TX, and Revision of Class E Airspace, Lubbock, TX [Airspace Docket No. 98-ASW-18] received May 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9398. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No. 29226; Amdt. No. 1869] (RIN: 2120-AA65) received May 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9399. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Construcciones Aeronauticas, S.A. (CASA) Model CN-235 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 97-NM-331-AD; Amendment 39-10538; AD 98-11-11] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received May 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9400. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment of Class E Airspace; Livingston, MT, and Butte, MT, and Removal of Class E Airspace; Coppertown, MT [Airspace Docket No. 97-ANM-20] received June 1, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9401. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting

the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Short Brothers Model SD3-30, SD3-60, SD3-SHERPA, and SD3-60 SHERPA Series Airplanes [Docket No. 97-NM-102-AD; Amendment 39-10549; AD 98-11-24] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received June 1, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9402. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Pilatus Aircraft Ltd. Models PC-12 and PC-12/45 Airplanes [Docket No. 97-CE-38-AD; Amendment 39-1045; AD 98-11-20] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received June 1, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9403. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Dornier Luftfahrt GmbH Models 228-100, 228-101, 228-200, 228-202, and 228-212 Airplanes [Docket No. 97-CE-121-AD; Amendment 39-10541; AD 98-11-16] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received June 1, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9404. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Glaser-Dirks Flugzeugbau GmbH Model DG-400 Gliders [Docket No. 98-CE-AD] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received June 1, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9405. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Glaser-Dirks Flugzeugbau GmbH Model DG-400 Gliders [Docket No. 98-CE-14-AD; Amendment 39-10543; AD 98-11-18] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received June 1, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9406. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Model A310 and A300-600 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 96-NM-172-AD; Amendment 39-10544; AD 98-11-19] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received June 1, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9407. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; de Havilland Model DHC-8-301, -311, -314 and -315 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 97-NM-330-AD; Amendment 39-10539; AD 98-11-12] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received May 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9408. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Saab Model SAAB 2000 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 96-NM-211-AD; Amendment 39-10532; AD 98-11-05] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received June 1, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9409. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Special Local Regulations for Marine Events; The Great Chesapeake Bay Swim Event, Chesapeake Bay, Maryland [CGD 05-98-035] (RIN: 2115-AE46) received June 1, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9410. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Aerospatiale Model ATR42-300 and -320, and Model ATR72 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 98-NM-24-AD; Amendment 39-10533; 98-11-06] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received May 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to

the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9411. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Safety Zone; Coney Island Air Show Days, Coney Island Channel, Brooklyn, New York [CGD01-98-009] (RIN: 2121-AA97) received June 1, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9412. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Special Local Regulation: Fireworks displays within the First Coast Guard District [CGD01-98-057] (RIN: 2115-AE46) received June 1, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9413. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; McDonnell Douglas Model DC-9 and DC-980 Series Airplanes, Model MD-88 Airplanes, and C-9 (Military) Series Airplanes [Docket No. 97-NM-251-AD; Amendment 39-10537; AD 98-11-10] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received May 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9414. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Raytheon Model Hawker 800XP Series Airplanes, and Hawker 800 (U-125A Military Derivative) Airplanes [Docket No. 98-NM-165-AD; Amendment 39-10540; AD 98-11-13] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received May 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9415. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Dornier Model 328-100 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 98-NM-40-AD; Amendment 39-10534; AD 98-11-07] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received May 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9416. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Model A300, A310, and A300-600 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 98-NM-13-AD; Amendment 39-10535; AD 98-11-08] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received May 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9417. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Empresa Brasileira de Aeronautica S.A. (EMBRAER) Model EMB-145 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 98-NM-34-AD; Amendment 39-10536; AD 98-11-09] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received May 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9418. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment to Class E Airspace; Knoxville, IA [Airspace Docket No. 98-ACE-12] received May 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9419. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Braked Roll Conditions [Docket No. 28643; Amdt. No. 25-97] (RIN: 2120-AF83) received May 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9420. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Safety Zone; Oceanside, CA [COTP San Diego 98-011] (RIN:

2115-AA97) received May 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9421. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Drawbridge Operating Regulation; Clear Creek, TX [CGD08-98-015] (RIN: 2115-AE47) received May 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9422. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—IFR Altitudes; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No. 29221; Amdt. No. 409] received May 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9423. A letter from the Chairman, Surface Transportation Board, transmitting the Board's final rule—Rail Service Continuation Subsidy Standards [STB Ex Parte No. 566] received May 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9424. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator for Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Revision to the NASA FAR Supplement on Technical Performance Incentive Guidance received May 22, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Science.

9425. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator for Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Revision to the NASA FAR Supplement on Contractor Performance Information received May 22, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Science.

9426. A letter from the the Adjutant General, the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S., transmitting proceedings of the 98th National Convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, held in Salt Lake City, Utah, August 17-21, 1997, pursuant to 36 U.S.C. 118 and 44 U.S.C. 1332; (H. Doc. No. 105—261); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs and ordered to be printed.

9427. A letter from the Acting Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting a report covering the disposition of cases granted relief from administrative error, overpayment and forfeiture by the Administrator in 1997, pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 210(c)(3)(B); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

9428. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule—Veterans' Training: Time Limit for Submitting Certifications under the Service Members Occupational Conversion and Training Act (RIN: 2900-A185) received May 8, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

9429. A letter from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting the 1996 Annual Report to Congress, describing employment and training programs for veterans during program year 1995 and fiscal year 1996; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

9430. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Weighted Average Interest Rate Update (Notice 98-32) received June 1, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

9431. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Last-In, first-out inventories [Revenue Ruling 98-29] received May 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

9432. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Branch, United States Customs Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Procedural Change Regarding American Shooks and Staves [T.D. 98-54] (RIN: 1515-AC18) received May 28, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

9433. A letter from the Acting General Counsel, Department of Defense, transmitting drafts of proposed legislation to provide specific exemptions under the Freedom of Information Act; jointly to the Committees on National Security and Government Reform and Oversight.

9434. A letter from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting notification that the Department of Energy will open the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant for disposal operations; jointly to the Committees on Commerce and National Security.

9435. A letter from the Attorney General of the United States, transmitting the 1997 annual report on the number of applications that were made for orders and extension of orders approving electronic surveillance under the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1807; jointly to the Committees on the Judiciary and Intelligence (Permanent Select).

9436. A letter from the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to authorize a new tobacco use cessation program, permanently authorize VA to collect payments from third-party private health insurance carriers for care VA provides to certain veterans, collect copayments from certain veterans receiving VA care, verify the income of certain veterans, and authorize medical care related construction projects and leases; jointly to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs and Ways and Means.

9437. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Service's final rule—Medicare Program; Waiver Requirements and Solvency Standards for Provider-Sponsored Organizations [HCFA-1011-IFC] (RIN: 0938-A183) received May 8, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Commerce.

9438. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's "Major" final rule—Medicare Program; Prospective Payment System and Consolidated Billing for Skilled Nursing Facilities [HCFA-1913-IFC] (RIN: 0938-A147) received May 7, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Commerce.

9439. A letter from the Commissioner, Social Security, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to make improvements in the administration of the Supplemental Security Income program, and for other purposes; jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Government Reform and Oversight.

9440. A letter from the Acting Fiscal Assistant Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's March 1998 "Treasury Bulletin," pursuant to 26 U.S.C. 9602(a); jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means, Commerce, Transportation and Infrastructure, Education and the Workforce, Resources, and Agriculture.

51.4 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate passed a resolution of the following title, in which concurrence of the House is requested:

S. RES. 241

Resolved, That the Senate has heard with profound sorrow and deep regret the an-